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Serial No.: 09/898,697)	Examiner: Chang
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For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR LINKING CLOSED)	June 14, 2005
CAPTIONING TO WEB SITE)	750 B STREET, Suite 3120
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Rule 131 Declaration

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Alexandria, VA 22313

Dear Sir:

I, Hiroaki Shinohara, declare as follows:

1. I am the sole inventor of the above-captioned patent application.
2. I conceived of the subject invention before June 14, 2001, and indeed before December 1, 2000. Specifically, as indicated on the enclosed Sony Invention Disclosure Form signed by me on November 22, 2000, the slides on the page entitled "cc-Link" show closed captioning (first slide) that can be stored (second slide) for selection by a user (third slide, "SDG&E" highlighted as being selected by a user). Then, the fourth slide shows that an Internet search engine or dictionary is linked to using the selected term.
3. I declare that I and my assignee were diligent from a time prior to June 14, 2001 until the present filing date. Specifically, the enclosed letter from Harold Fujii to outside counsel bearing a date of May

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